

## Annual Compliance Report for School Approval for 2015-2016

NDCC 15.1-06-06      NDCC 15.1-06-06.1

NDCC 15.1-06-06.2      NDCC 15.1-06-06.3

NDCC 15.1-06-07

### Deadlines

*August 3*

Annual Compliance Report available in STARS

*October 1 (5:00 p.m.)*

Deadline for school principals and LEA superintendents to submit their School and LEA Annual Compliance Reports; or  
Deadline for LEA superintendents to request the October 15 extension from the superintendent of public instruction (701-328-2755)

*October 15 (5:00 p.m.)*

Deadline for school principals and LEA superintendents to submit their School and LEA Annual Compliance Reports **IF** an extension was granted by DPI in response to a request from a LEA superintendent, notifying DPI of the request prior to 5:00 p.m. on October 1

### Signatures and Approvals

- Signed by the school principal(s) and the superintendent of the school district
- Formally approved by the board of the district or the governing board with the date of the board meeting provided

#### 15.1-06-06. Approval of Public Schools (6 required criteria)

1. **Teacher Licensure.** Each classroom teacher is licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education standards and practices board;
2. **Teacher Highly Qualified.** Each classroom teacher is teaching only in those course areas or fields for which the teacher is licensed or for which the teacher has received an exception under section [15.1-09-57](#) and [15.1-18](#);
3. **Curriculum.** The school meets all curricular requirements set forth in chapter [15.1-21](#);
4. **Safety Requirements.** The school has been inspected by the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee in accordance with section [15.1-06-09](#) and;
  - a. Has no unremedied deficiency; or
  - b. Has deficiencies that have been addressed in a plan of correction which was submitted to and approved by the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee; and
5. **Background Checks.** All individuals hired after June 30, 2011, and having unsupervised contact with students at the school have:
  - a. Undergone a criminal history background check requested by the employing school district; or
  - b. Undergone a criminal history background check in order to be licensed by the education standards and practices board or by any other state licensing board [15.1-06-06](#).
6. **Review Process.** The school participates in and meets the requirements of a review process that is:
  - a. Designed to improve student achievement through a continuous cycle of improvement; and
  - b. Approved by the superintendent of public instruction [15.1-06-06](#).

#### 15.1-06-06.1 Approval of Nonpublic Schools (5 required criteria)

1. **Teacher Licensure.** Each classroom teacher is licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education standards and practices board;
2. **Teacher Highly Qualified.** Each classroom teacher is teaching only in those course areas or fields for which the teacher is licensed or for which the teacher has received an exception under section [15.1-09-57](#) and [15.1-18](#);
3. **Curriculum.** The school meets all curricular requirements set forth in chapter [15.1-21](#);
4. **Safety Requirements.** The school has been inspected by the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee in accordance with section [15.1-06-10](#) and;
  - a. Has no unremedied deficiency; or
  - b. Has deficiencies that have been addressed in a plan of correction which was submitted to and approved by the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee; and
5. **Background Checks.** All individuals hired after June 30, 2011, and having unsupervised contact with students at the school have:
  - a. Undergone a criminal history background check requested by the employing school district; or

- b. Undergone a criminal history background check in order to be licensed by the education standards and practices board or by any other state licensing board [15.1-06-06.1](#).

### **Consequences of Non-approval**

- A list of Approved and Non-approved schools is posted on the Department of Public Instruction website on or before November 1.
- A press release is printed, identifying approved and non-approved schools.
- Subtract from any state aid otherwise payable to the school district the prorated amount attributable to the students in attendance at the unapproved school for each day that the school's compliance report is not on file with the superintendent of public instruction - NDCC 15.1-06-06 (5)(b).

### **Requirements after Submission**

If after being certified as approved a school experiences circumstances or events that would render the information contained in its compliance report inaccurate, the superintendent of the school district in which the school is located shall notify the Director of Teacher and School Effectiveness and work with the Director to address the circumstances or events at the earliest possible time.